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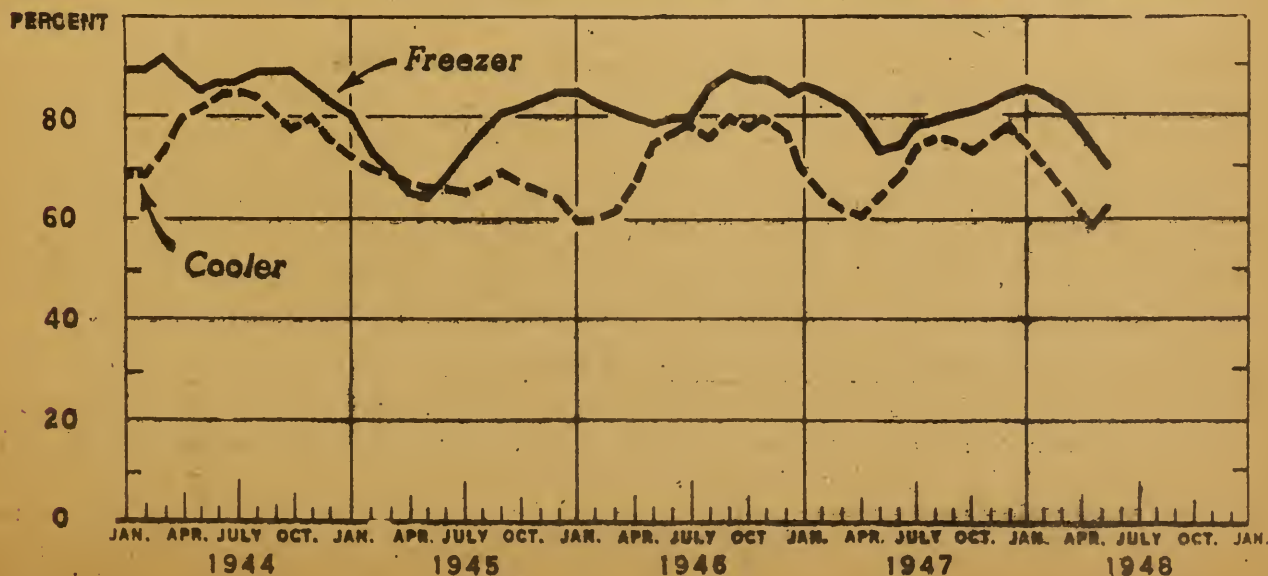
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## OCCUPANCY OF PUBLIC COLD-STORAGE WAREHOUSES, 1944-48





Cooler occupancy rises, freezer occupancy falls during April

In general, the utilization of cooler storage space for the nation as a whole on May 1 was above that on April 1, but was below the occupancy on May 1, 1947 and the average, 1943-47 May occupancy. Public cooler space on May 1 was 63 percent filled, 4 points more nearly full than on April 1, and 5 points below the five-year average May occupancy. Coolers in private warehouses registered a 1 point rise during April, to stand at 63 percent on May 1. Coolers in meat-packing plants also registered a 1 point April increase. Public coolers in the East North Central and East South Central States showed the greatest increases in occupancy during April. Of the leading storage cities, San Francisco reported the highest cooler occupancy--89 percent. No other city area reported a cooler occupancy in excess of 83 percent on May 1, 1948.

Public freezer occupancy on May 1 was 70 percent. This was a 5 point drop during April. The amount of public freezer space used on May 1, 1948, was 3 points below the average for that date, and 3 points below the amount used on May 1, 1947. The greatest decline in the use of freezer space occurred in the North Atlantic and Pacific States. Public freezers in Cincinnati, Minneapolis, St. Louis, Omaha, Baltimore, New Orleans and San Francisco reported occupancies in the 90's.

Net decline in cold storage holdings during April

About a third of a billion pounds of foodstuffs were withdrawn from cold storage during April, leaving May 1 total stocks at 2.9 billion pounds. For the first time this year, storage stocks fell below 1947 levels. This was true of both cooler and freezer stocks. Cooler commodities in storage May 1 totalled 1.4 billion pounds and freezer commodities 1.5 billion pounds. The net withdrawal of stocks during April of this year was more than twice the withdrawal that took place during April, 1947. The most significant changes in storage stocks during April were the into-storage movement of 51 million pounds of frozen eggs, and 1.9 million cases of shell eggs, and the out-of-store movement of 53 million pounds of poultry, 5 million bushels of apples, 56 million pounds of frozen fruits and vegetables and 104 million pounds of meats. Items moving into storage in less volume were: cream, butter, cheese, lard, nuts, and canned fruits. Other items withdrawn from storage included: dried fruits, dried eggs, and pears.

Fruits and Vegetable stocks decline during April

An out-movement of 5 million bushels of apples during April brought May 1 holdings more in line with the average than they were a month ago. The 4.9 million bushels remaining in storage on May 1, 1948 were, however, still 1.3 million bushels above normal May 1 holdings. The 132 thousand bushels of pears in store May 1 were about three times the average May 1 stocks. A withdrawal of 56 million pounds of frozen fruits and vegetables during April left May 1 stocks at 423 million pounds. Withdrawals of these items this April were 19 million pounds less than for April 1947. Stocks, however, were well below last year's stocks of 568 million pounds. Frozen fruit stocks were only about three-fourths as great as stocks on May 1, 1947, while frozen vegetable holdings were only a little more than two-thirds as great as on May 1, 1947. Nutmeats in store were 58 million pounds as compared with 84 million pounds in 1947. Nuts in shell were 39 million pounds as compared with 24 million pounds on May 1, 1947. Dried fruits were well below 1947 levels.

Dairy products, eggs move into storage; poultry out

Stocks of all dairy items were heavier on May 1 than on April 1, 1948. This was to be expected for this season of the year. Cream stocks increased 3 million pounds to a total of 8 million pounds. The April increase was about half the normal increase. Butter stocks, which usually increase 4 million pounds during April, showed a net increase of only 1 million pounds. Holdings of butter on May 1 were some 4.5 million pounds. The net in-movement of cheese, which was



about half the average April increase left May 1 stocks at 107 million pounds, only slightly below the 5-year average. Shell egg holdings increased 1.9 million cases. While this increase was .7 million cases above the 1947 level, it was .4 million below average. Stocks of 3 million cases of eggs compared with an average May 1 inventory of 5 million cases. Frozen egg holdings increased by 51 million pounds during April to a total of 194 million pounds on May 1. Dried egg stocks continued to decline during April. While the net decline in total dried eggs amounted to only 6 million pounds, stocks reported held to the account of the government dropped 8 million pounds. Government holdings of frozen eggs likewise showed a drop in contrast to the over-all increase in frozen eggs. An abnormally heavy withdrawal of frozen poultry occurred during April, leaving May 1 stocks at 153 million pounds, which was average for this season. The April outmovement of poultry was 16 million pounds heavier than average.

#### Meat stocks drop during April

An unusually heavy drop in the cold storage holdings of meats occurred during April. Some 104 million pounds net were withdrawn from storage as compared with an average April withdrawal of only 38 million pounds. The 117 million pounds of beef in storage May 1 was 54 million pounds below average, three times as much beef having been withdrawn from storage during April 1948 as during the average April. Pork stocks were 138 million pounds above average, totaling 613 million pounds on May 1. April withdrawals of pork were about double normal April withdrawals. While lard stocks increased in accordance with the usual seasonal pattern, this increase was only about half the normal increase. Lard stocks totalled 139 million pounds. The May 1, 1943-47 average for lard is 180 million pounds.

#### Fishery products decline

Continued movement out of store during April brought frozen fishery products down to 68 million pounds on May 1. Salt water species totalled 49 million pounds, while 5 million pounds were fresh water fish and 14 million pounds were frozen shellfish. The net decrease in storage stocks of 8 million pounds was equal to the withdrawals during April 1947, but exceeded the average April-to-May change by a million pounds. Such species as salmon, halibut, and shrimp were the major products moving out of store, while frozen miscellaneous fillets moved into storage during April.

#### Cold Storage Outlook

Both occupancy and commodity holdings were below 1947 levels on May 1, 1948. This was true of both cooler and freezer commodities. Cooler occupancy, which began its seasonal upswing during April hit a low of 59 percent before starting up. This was the lowest cooler occupancy has been since 1942. It is not likely therefore that scarcity of cooler space will develop during the summer season. One of the factors that will probably contribute to more available cooler space for those seeking storage this year, than in recent years, is the fact that shell egg stocks are not moving into storage in normal quantities thus far. Lard and cooler meat, the other commodities which normally fill cooler space during the summer are likewise below average this year.

Freezer occupancy normally hits a lowpoint on May 1. The 70 percent occupancy on May 1 which represents the probable lowpoint for this season was the lowest it has been for the past three years. There is little indication in the present freezer situation that any nation-wide shortage of freezer space will develop this summer. Normally between the low and high points of freezer occupancy there is only about 13 points.

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Data for this report are collected from public, private and semi-private warehouses, apple houses, and meat-packing plants. Commodities in space owned or leased and operated by the armed services are not reported. All May 1 figures are preliminary.

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### NET PILING SPACE AND PERCENTAGE OF SPACE OCCUPIED

(APPLE HOUSES EXCLUDED.)

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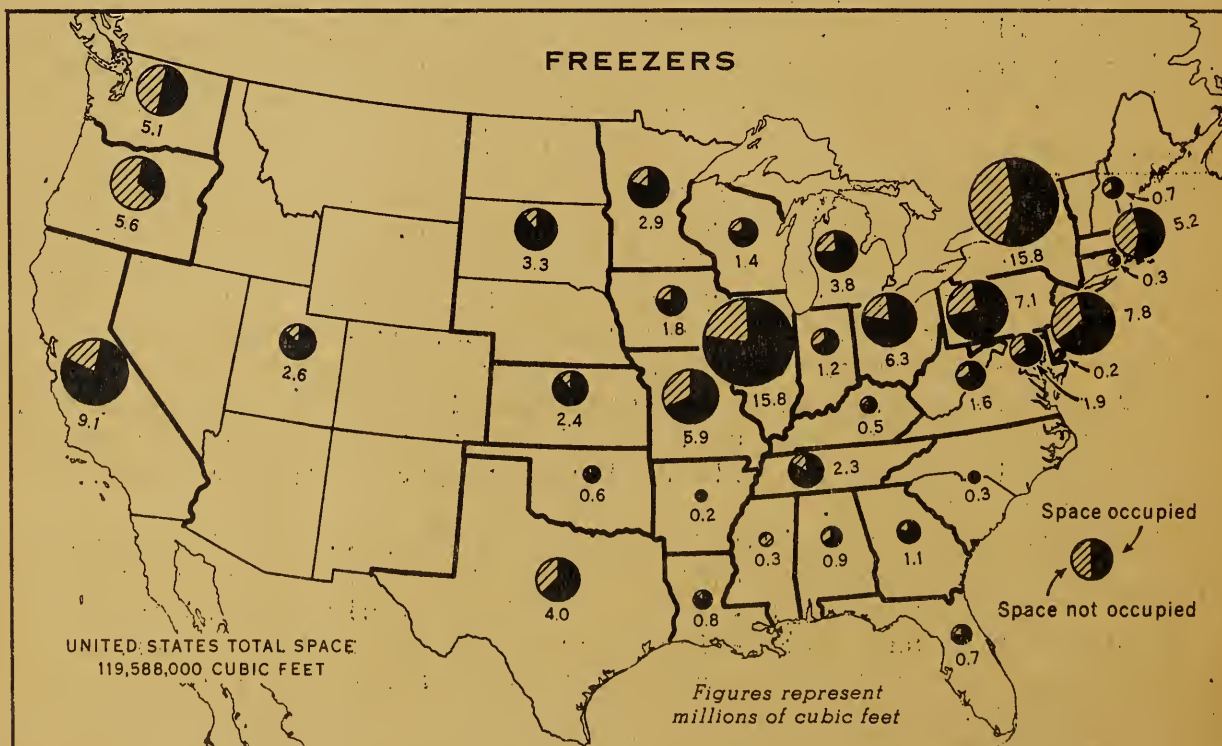
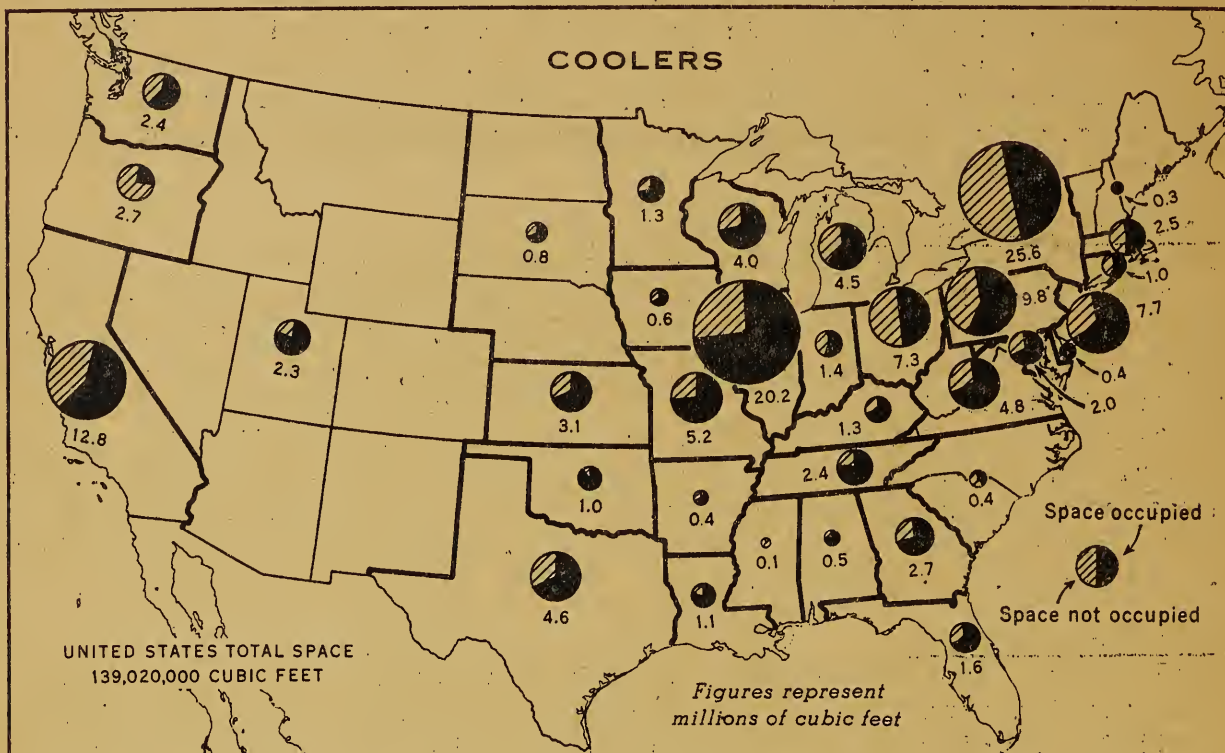




Table 1. — Public cold storage warehouses  
(Apple houses excluded)

Net piling space and percentage of space occupied

State or Geographic Region	Net piling space 1/		Percentage of space occupied 2/							
			May 1, 5-yr. av. 1943-47		May 1, 1947		Apr. 1, 1948		May 1, 1948 3/	
	Cooler	Freezer	Cooler	Freezer	Cooler	Freezer	Cooler	Freezer	Cooler	Freezer
	('000" cu. ft.)		Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.
Maine, N. H. and Vt.....	346	672	65	66	83	60	71	71	72	70
Massachusetts.....	2,548	5,234	71	61	39	65	54	64	54	58
R. I. and Connecticut.....	.967	.307	65	77	65	83	87	77	59	64
NEW ENGLAND.....	3,861	6,213	69	62	46	65	58	65	55	59
New York.....	25,553	15,818	64	72	57	66	50	66	49	57
New Jersey.....	7,704	7,786	82	81	84	87	66	75	70	69
Pennsylvania.....	9,822	7,077	69	78	62	83	56	79	59	74
MIDDLE ATLANTIC.....	43,079	30,681	68	76	63	76	55	72	56	65
Ohio.....	7,285	6,262	77	80	71	77	48	86	50	79
Indiana.....	1,433	1,192	79	84	80	91	49	80	57	71
Illinois.....	20,248	15,832	68	67	57	71	58	72	74	78
Michigan.....	4,472	3,763	67	70	71	69	71	81	63	76
Wisconsin.....	4,043	1,433	66	68	67	72	64	82	72	78
EAST NORTH CENTRAL.....	37,481	28,482	70	72	64	73	58	77	66	77
Minnesota.....	1,338	2,927	77	67	70	59	70	87	71	80
Iowa.....	616	1,750	79	78	82	84	81	84	64	76
Missouri.....	5,227	5,933	81	70	75	74	67	88	73	86
Dakotas and Nebraska.....	758	3,335	83	81	66	88	63	91	67	88
Kansas.....	3,057	2,434	78	77	58	59	71	89	67	88
WEST NORTH CENTRAL.....	10,996	16,379	79	73	70	73	69	88	70	85
Delaware.....	377	229	66	69	48	28	70	64	97	63
Maryland and D. C.....	2,014	1,854	85	85	70	70	62	74	71	69
Virginia and West Va.....	4,832	1,581	65	78	84	83	64	81	71	76
No. & So. Carolina.....	408	305	62	70	75	55	34	86	40	81
Georgia.....	2,730	1,090	79	80	78	94	62	84	72	82
Florida.....	1,630	721	75	80	79	87	72	88	71	79
SOUTH ATLANTIC.....	11,991	5,780	71	80	77	76	63	79	69	75
Kentucky.....	1,323	510	75	70	67	62	74	81	71	79
Tennessee.....	2,361	2,330	83	67	85	75	67	82	78	84
Alabama.....	545	850	88	80	93	84	74	64	77	66
Mississippi.....	110	347	71	48	66	66	87	84	-	-
EAST SOUTH CENTRAL.....	4,339	4,037	81	72	80	75	70	78	76	79
Arkansas.....	396	249	80	80	55	83	62	80	69	74
Louisiana.....	1,089	792	87	85	87	79	75	82	81	87
Oklahoma.....	1,036	601	69	77	53	82	89	89	92	91
Texas.....	4,553	3,965	79	80	71	87	60	61	67	63
WEST SOUTH CENTRAL.....	7,074	5,607	78	81	71	85	66	69	73	71
MOUNTAIN.....	2,268	2,602	86	84	72	85	74	87	79	84
Washington.....	2,415	5,091	63	59	55	61	60	54	60	50
Oregon.....	2,723	5,607	56	45	62	40	29	49	24	33
California.....	12,793	9,108	62	80	57	79	65	83	58	78
PACIFIC.....	17,931	19,806	61	64	57	64	61	67	55	58
UNITED STATES 4/.....	139,020	119,588	68	73	65	73	59	75	63	70

1/ Space survey of October 1, 1945.

2/ Percentage for the periods covered are comparable.

3/ Preliminary.

4/ Weighted average of the occupancy for geographic regions based on the corresponding net piling space.





Table 2. — Private, semi-private warehouses and meat-packing plants  
(Apple houses excluded)

Net piling space and percentage of space occupied May 1, 1948

State or Geographic Region	Private and semi-private warehouses				Meat-packing establishments			
	Net piling space 1/		Space occupied		Net piling space 1/		Space occupied	
	Cooler	Freezer	Cooler	Freezer	Cooler	Freezer	Cooler	Freezer
	("000" cu. ft.)		Pct.	Pct.	("000" cu. ft.)		Pct.	Pct.
NEW ENGLAND.....	492	1,210	57	57	2,168	776	88	72
New York.....	1,774	1,570	68	75	4,263	454	92	68
New Jersey.....	221	753	-	40	454	602	-	-
Pennsylvania.....	2,103	545	55	95	1,974	199	91	84
MIDDLE ATLANTIC.....	4,098	2,868	59	74	6,691	1,255	91	75
Ohio.....	660	532	83	65	2,577	342	98	100
Indiana.....	298	241	100	95	2,479	907	88	96
Illinois.....	564	210	95	99	7,216	4,532	82	91
Michigan.....	1,653	891	41	29	1,234	395	100	97
Wisconsin.....	2,296	238	66	55	1,641	916	98	97
EAST NORTH CENTRAL.....	5,471	2,112	62	68	15,147	7,092	92	89
Minnesota.....	265	767	100	29	2,530	1,899	80	96
Iowa.....	725	816	98	100	9,263	3,647	89	85
Missouri.....	42	54	45	44	2,243	1,071	97	100
No. & So. Dak. & Nebr.....	639	707	91	100	6,570	2,218	98	90
Kansas.....	825	423	64	95	6,892	1,818	89	89
WEST NORTH CENTRAL.....	2,496	2,767	87	73	27,498	10,653	92	88
Del. Md. Va. & W. Va.....	76	369	-	98	1,151	63	93	97
NC., SC., Ga. & Fla.....	120	450	93	93	1,130	474	99	98
SOUTH ATLANTIC.....	196	819	93	94	2,281	537	95	98
Kentucky & Tennessee.....	207	104	100	100	1,735	372	50	90
Alabama & Mississippi.....	49	19	-	-	138	37	52	64
EAST SOUTH CENTRAL.....	256	123	100	100	1,873	409	50	87
Ark., La. & Oklahoma.....	124	641	22	-	1,072	406	100	100
Texas.....	312	71	100	-	2,453	1,039	99	100
WEST SOUTH CENTRAL.....	436	712	24	-	3,525	1,445	99	100
Mont. Idaho, Wyo., Colo....	173	294	95	67	1,491	481	97	97
Ariz., Utah & Nevada.....	104	333	56	70	546	226	96	97
MOUNTAIN.....	277	627	91	70	2,037	707	97	97
Washington & Oregon.....	1,513	3,398	41	52	1,040	569	95	98
California.....	885	493	9	74	2,863	538	86	92
PACIFIC.....	2,398	3,891	30	52	3,903	1,107	88	95
UNITED STATES 2/.....	16,120	15,129	63	64	65,123	23,981	91	91

1/ Space survey October 1, 1945.

2/ Weighted average of the occupancy for geographic regions based on the corresponding net piling space.

Table 3. — Public general warehouses in key cities

Net piling space and percentage of space occupied

Cities 1/	Net piling space 2/		Space occupied							
			Apr. 1, 1947		May 1, 1947		Apr. 1, 1948		May 1, 1948	
	Cooler	Freezer	Cooler	Freezer	Cooler	Freezer	Cooler	Freezer	Cooler	Freezer
	("000" cu. ft.)		Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.
NEW ENGLAND										
Boston.....	1,414	2,793	51	67	57	69	39	67	44	60
MID ATLANTIC										
New York.....	15,622	13,954	72	88	82	70	63	73	70	65
Buffalo.....	1,372	2,331	43	81	53	71	27	66	32	51
Rochester.....	5,939	1,466	39	79	54	73	34	73	33	63
Philadelphia.....	4,873	4,226	67	94	57	87	49	81	61	74
Pittsburgh.....	2,311	2,070	69	87	73	88	78	91	77	88
E. N. CENTRAL										
Cleveland.....	4,239	3,443	70	75	69	70	43	85	43	77
Cincinnati.....	1,075	1,241	65	95	71	94	60	93	78	93
Chicago.....	16,798	15,223	54	81	57	71	50	71	75	78
Detroit.....	3,515	2,866	75	79	71	72	75	82	69	79
Milwaukee.....	1,173	976	73	88	66	87	73	85	71	77
W. N. CENTRAL										
Minneapolis.....	918	2,043	69	69	70	62	80	94	83	91
St. Louis.....	4,801	2,998	74	79	84	76	82	93	81	92
Kansas City.....	2,507	2,972	63	84	70	70	72	90	75	87
Omaha.....	725	2,831	84	92	86	90	59	93	59	91
SOUTH ATLANTIC										
Baltimore.....	538	624	61	86	74	75	84	91	81	92
Richmond.....	1,525	465	87	91	91	92	57	50	69	46
Norfolk.....	927	1,033	81	81	79	79	85	91	77	86
E. S. CENTRAL										
Nashville.....	1,217	1,742	77	77	85	74	66	82	80	86
Memphis.....	754	477	69	96	84	84	68	80	78	74
W. S. CENTRAL										
New Orleans.....	921	746	84	88	89	88	77	84	83	90
Dallas-Ft. Worth..	1,869	2,303	76	86	82	89	57	56	67	60
San Antonio.....	615	880	69	84	66	79	74	55	77	55
Houston.....	848	224	62	96	58	93	50	84	55	83
PACIFIC										
Seattle.....	1,070	2,093	63	75	72	72	72	44	68	61
Portland.....	711	4,205	28	45	67	33	38	49	54	34
Los Angeles.....	3,067	3,101	81	84	83	82	79	88	72	82
San Francisco.....	3,015	2,438	66	97	70	95	91	94	89	93
San Jose.....	2,272	1,218	31	88	19	84	39	71	25	71
Total.....	87,531	82,982	64	82	68	74	60	77	58	73

1/ Space shown includes public warehouses within a 25 mile radius of city named.

2/ Space survey October 1, 1945.



Table 4. — Apple houses

Regions	Net piling		Space occupied							
	space 1/		Apr. 1, 1947		May 1, 1947		Apr. 1, 1948		May 1, 1948 3/	
	Cooler	Freezer	Cooler	Freezer	Cooler	Freezer	Cooler	Freezer	Cooler	Freezer
	("000" cu. ft.)	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.	Pct.
New England.....	5,437	56	6	-	13	-	20	-	7	-
Middle Atlantic....	19,021	1,046	32	55	22	29	38	52	25	44
East North Central	4,639	123	27	100	25	100	56	38	51	63
West North Central	1,240	72	51	71	54	71	49	77	32	76
South Atlantic....	16,134	336	18	80	10	69	24	55	13	45
East South Central	307	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
West South Central	184	29	19	-	19	-	-	-	-	-
Mountain.....	564	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Pacific.....	47,083	1,822	19	33	15	24	30	53	16	40
U. S. Total 2/.....	94,609	3,484	22	48	16	34	31	53	19	42

1/ Space survey October 1, 1945.

2/ Weighted average of the occupancy for geographic regions based on the corresponding net piling space.

3/ Occupancy of those houses in operation only.

Table 5. — Apple and pear holdings by states

State	Apple holdings		Pear holdings	
	May 1, 1947	May 1, 1948	May 1, 1947	May 1, 1948
- Thousands of bushels -				
Vt., Mass., & Conn.....	116	187	-	-
New York.....	334	696	17	11
New Jersey.....	216	163	1	4
Pennsylvania.....	167	170	-	1
Ohio.....	130	140	-	6
Illinois.....	246	338	-	1
Michigan.....	145	204	2	-
Virginia.....	345	408	-	-
West Virginia.....	56	24	-	-
Missouri.....	62	91	-	-
Kansas.....	4	10	-	-
Washington.....	1,397	1,766	1	11
Oregon.....	35	98	29	69
California.....	391	293	5	24
Other States 1/.....	310	293	4	5
U. S. Total.....	3,954	4,881	59	132

1/ Holdings for states having significant quantities of apples or pears are given above. Other holdings shown under, "Other States".

Table 6. — May holdings and changes during April 1948 1/

Cooler	Holdings	Net Change		Freezer	Holdings	Net Change	
Commodities	May 1	during Apr.		Commodities	May 1	during Apr.	
	'000" lbs.	'000" lbs.	%		'000" lbs.	'000" lbs.	%
Apples.....	234,288	-257,424	-52	Fruits.....	247,261	-34,501	-12
Pears.....	6,600	-14,250	-68	Vegetables.....	175,505	-21,123	-11
Dried & ev. Fts..	65,036	-539	-1	Cream.....	8,276	2,673	48
Can'd. ft. & Veg.	2,123	181	9	Cream'y butter..	4,496	1,014	29
Nuts & Nutmeats..	98,289	6,001	7	Eggs.....	194,240	50,987	36
Fish*.....	12,000	-279	-2	Poultry.....	153,048	-52,697	-26
Cheese.....	106,847	3,497	3	Beef.....	108,090	-25,327	-19
Shell eggs.....	138,960	86,535	165	Pork.....	417,158	-33,045	-7
Dried eggs.....	4,633	-6,676	-59	Sausage.....	6,503	-2,186	-25
Beef.....	9,266	-1,571	-14	Lamb & Mutton...	9,243	-5,647	-38
Pork.....	195,497	-15,699	-7	Veal.....	7,490	-2,667	-26
Sausage.....	7,597	-687	-8	Edible Offal....	57,370	-9,808	-15
Canned meats.....	45,501	-7,380	-14	Lard & pork fat.	5,580	419	8
Lard & pork fat..	133,917	10,050	8	Fish*.....	63,000	-1,464	-2
Other.....	310,103	-4,038	-1	Other.....	30,428	-3,243	-10
Total.....	1,370,657	-202,279	-13	Total.....	1,487,688	-136,615	-8

1/ For a detailed breakdown see the following tables.

\* Estimated.

## TOTAL WEIGHT OF COOLER AND FREEZER COMMODITIES, 1946-48

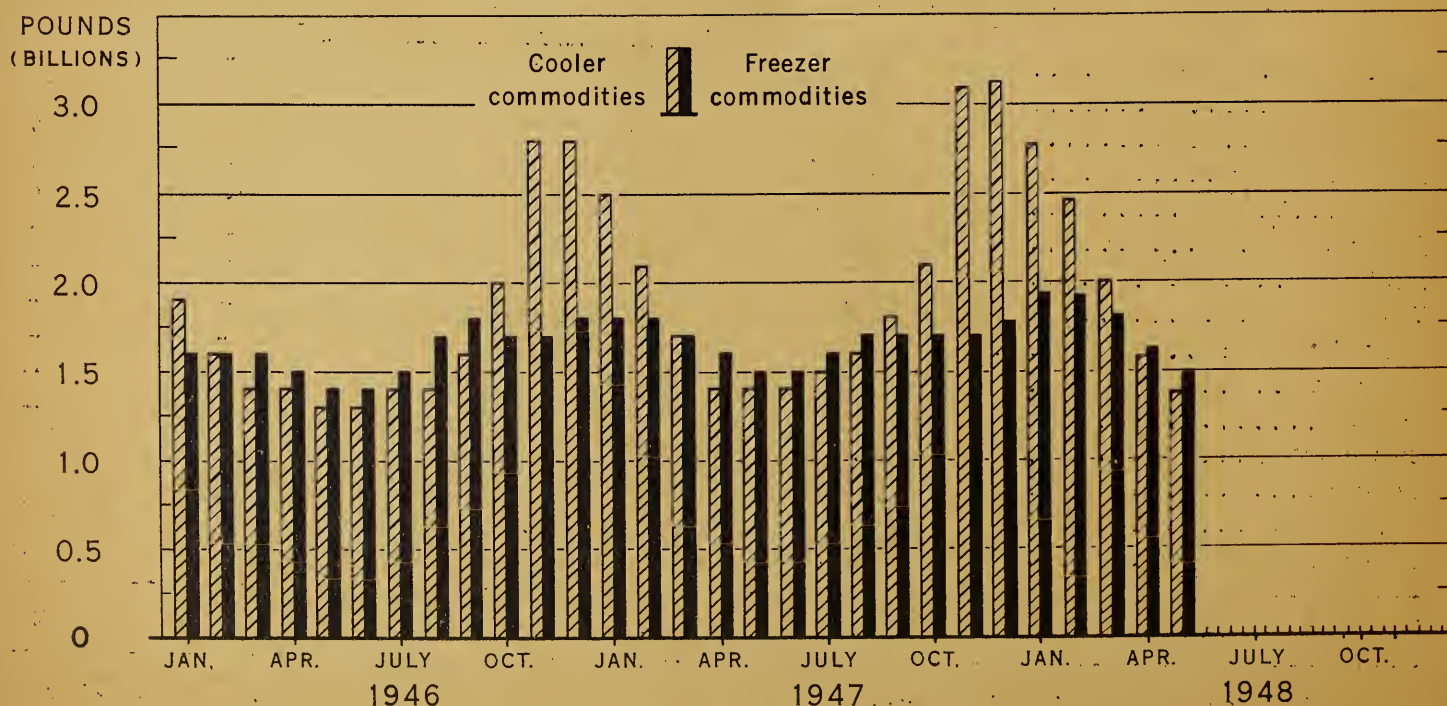




Table 7. — Fresh fruits and vegetables

## Net changes in stocks during April and comparisons

Fresh apples: Decreased by 5 million bushels; April 1947 decrease was 4 million bushels; average April decrease was 4 million bushels.

Fresh pears: Decreased by .3 million bushels; April 1947 decrease was .2 million bushels; average April decrease was .1 million bushels.

Stocks of fruits and vegetables	May 1, 5-yr. av. 1943-47	May 1 1947	Apr. 1 1948	May 1 1948
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- Thousands -

## FRESH APPLES

Apples.....Western, standard boxes <sup>2/</sup>		5,201	2,433
Apples.....Western, other containers <sup>3/</sup>		235	105
Apples.....Eastern, bushel baskets		2,422	1,230
Apples.....Eastern, other containers <sup>3/</sup>		2,386	1,113

Total apples.....bushels	3,571	3,954	10,244	4,881
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## FRESH PEARS

Pears, Bartletts.....packed boxes	3	-	3	2
Pears, Bartletts.....loose boxes	1	-	-	-
Pears, all other varieties...boxes	41	57	403	127
Pears.....bushel baskets	2	2	11	3

Total pears.....bushels	47	59	417	132
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## OTHER FRUITS &amp; VEGETABLES

Other fresh fruits.....Pounds		14,531	6,218	9,104
Dried & evaporated fruits.... "	97,708	96,662	65,575	65,036
Canned fruits & vegetables... "		2,776	1,942	2,123

Potatoes.....Pounds		67,451	97,017	103,244
Onions..... "		12,934	7,896	1,032
Celery..... "		925	1,589	772
Other fresh vegetables..... "		15,840	16,106	12,913

Nutmeats, peanuts.....Pounds		{ 83,839 }	28,621	29,738
Nutmeats, other nuts..... "		{ 23,961 }	23,961	28,382
Peanuts, in shell..... "		{ 23,870 }	3,615	1,160
Other nuts in shell..... "		{ 36,091 }	36,091	35,709

<sup>1/</sup> Other units were used for all data on apples gathered prior to July 1, 1947.

<sup>2/</sup> Western apples are those grown in Washington, Oregon, California, Idaho, Nevada, Wyoming, Montana, Utah, Colorado, Arizona, and New Mexico.

<sup>3/</sup> Other containers reported in terms of bushels.

Table 8. — Frozen fruits and vegetables <sup>1/</sup>

## Net changes in stocks during April and comparisons

Frozen fruits: Decreased by 35 million pounds; April 1947 decrease was 47 million pounds; average April decrease was 32 million pounds.

Frozen vegetables: Decreased by 21 million pounds; April 1947 decrease was 28 million pounds; average April decrease was 17 million pounds.

Stocks of frozen fruits and vegetables	May 1, 5-yr. av. 1943-47	May 1 1947	Apr. 1 1948	May 1 1948
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- Thousands of pounds -

## FROZEN FRUITS

Apples.....		50,972	36,428	33,069
Apricots.....		20,651	15,040	13,999
Blackberries.....	7,018	12,716	13,324	10,859
Blueberries.....		11,246	8,518	6,876
Cherries.....	17,334	37,842	32,820	25,190
Grapes.....		7,818	15,615	14,008
Peaches.....		44,119	32,100	28,822
Plums and prunes.....		13,389	7,932	7,324
Raspberries.....	9,344	13,879	17,795	15,812
Strawberries.....	14,825	17,675	22,668	15,975
Young, Logan, Boysen etc.....	4,587	10,065	11,020	9,486
Fruit juices and purees.....		24,498	26,577	25,435
All other fruits.....	148,814	54,848	41,925	40,406
Total.....	201,922	319,718	281,762	247,261

## FROZEN VEGETABLES

Asparagus.....	5,862	12,894	6,023	5,334
Beans, lima.....	7,840	13,013	23,665	20,420
Beans, snap.....	8,277	15,544	10,031	8,312
Broccoli.....	8,479	17,406	7,811	7,595
Brussels sprouts.....		6,515	5,130	4,476
Cauliflower.....		8,046	5,181	4,594
Corn, sweet.....	11,100	24,321	22,166	18,184
Peas, green.....	27,013	62,741	71,248	61,183
Pumpkin and squash.....		8,854	5,939	5,153
Spinach.....	15,154	26,144	11,505	12,334
All other vegetables.....	44,363	52,317	27,929	27,920
Total.....	128,088	247,795	196,628	175,505

<sup>1/</sup> A report on package sizes for certain frozen fruits and vegetables will be issued May 21.



Table 9. — Dairy and poultry products

Net changes in stocks during April and comparisons				
Cream: Increased by 3 million pounds; April 1947 increase was 3 million pounds; average April increase was 6 million pounds.				
Butter: Increased by 1 million pounds; April 1947 increase was 1 million pounds; average April increase was 4 million pounds.				
Cheese: Increased by 4 million pounds; April 1947 increase was 21 million pounds; average April increase was 7 million pounds.				
Shell eggs: Increased by 1.9 million cases; April 1947 increase was 1.2 million cases; average April increase was 2.3 million cases.				
Frozen eggs: Increased by 51 million pounds; April 1947 increase was 55 million pounds; average April increase was 61 million pounds.				
Frozen poultry: Decreased by 53 million pounds; April 1947 decrease was 34 million pounds; average April decrease was 37 million pounds.				
Stocks of dairy and poultry products	Unit	May 1, 5-yr. av. 1943-47	May 1 1947	Apr. 1 1948
- Thousands -				
CREAM & MILK				
Fluid cream..... lb.)		18,383	12,457	4,385
Plastic cream (75-85% butterfat)... lb.)			3,840	1,218
Cond. or evaporated milk..... lb.			60,029	16,555
BUTTER				
Creamery..... lb.		33,570	9,194	3,482
CHEESE				
American..... lb.		92,281	88,737	90,469
Swiss including block..... lb.		653	723	2,136
All other varieties <u>1/</u> ..... lb.		17,307	24,394	10,745
Total cheese..... lb.		110,241	113,854	103,350
EGGS				
Shell..... case		5,019	1,742	1,165
Frozen eggs, total <u>2/</u> ..... lb.		182,778	153,876	143,253
Whites..... lb.		29,403	35,203	18,883
Yolks..... lb.		20,212	29,110	22,201
Mixed..... lb.		97,537	76,382	96,164
Unclassified..... lb.		35,626	13,181	6,005
Dried eggs, total..... lb.		-	36,183	11,309
Total eggs <u>2/</u> ..... case		9,893	9,463	6,116
FROZEN POULTRY				
Broilers..... lb.		4,697	5,831	6,194
Fryers..... lb.		8,142	10,484	14,559
Roasters..... lb.		20,874	20,790	20,539
Fowls..... lb.		29,966	36,280	65,969
Turkeys..... lb.		55,153	94,522	54,816
Ducks..... lb.		1,493	3,108	3,735
Miscellaneous..... lb.		10,998	13,322	13,799
Unclassified poultry..... lb.		17,754	23,919	26,134
Total poultry..... lb.		149,077	208,256	205,745

1/ Includes Brick and Munster Cheese.

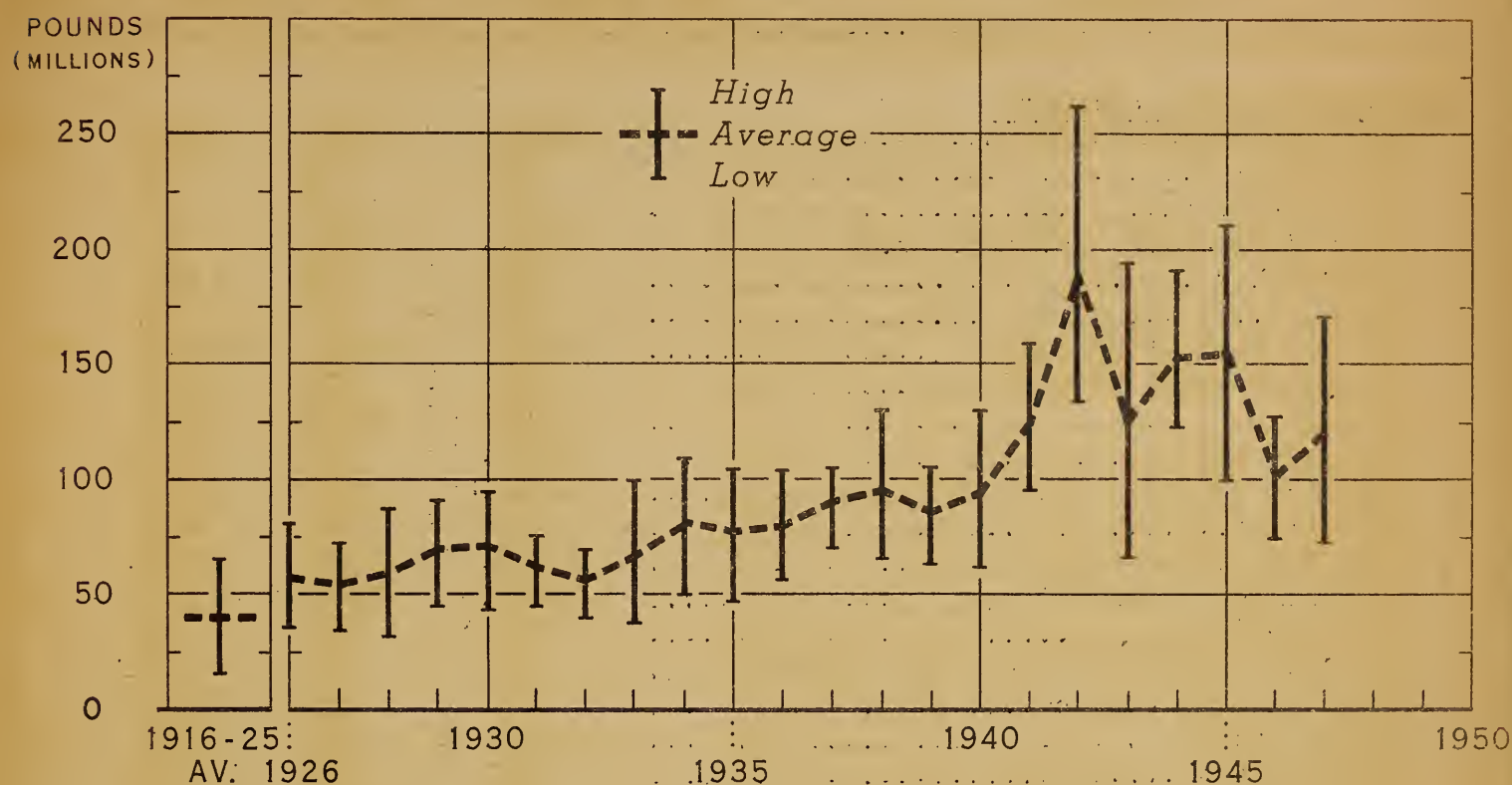
2/ Frozen eggs are converted on the basis of 37.5 pounds to the case and dried eggs on the basis of 10 pounds to the case. Dried eggs are not included in 5-yr. average for total eggs.

Table 10. — Dairy and poultry holdings by states, May 1, 1948

States	Cream		'Creamery 'butter	'American' 'cheese	Shell 'eggs	'Frozen 'eggs	'Total 'Poultry
	'Fluid	'Plastic					
	'lb.	'lb.					
- Thousands -							
Massachusetts.....	128	43	162	1,135	57	1,748	7,375
Other States.....			90	91	20	989	1,370
NEW ENGLAND.....			252	1,226	77	2,737	8,745
New York.....	2,900	109	712	5,698	185	23,296	21,978
New Jersey.....	192		274	2,954	244	6,196	6,418
Pennsylvania.....	522	88	246	1,753	129	5,805	4,428
MIDDLE ATLANTIC.....			1,232	10,405	558	35,297	32,824
Ohio.....	154	-	267	520	137	4,335	5,142
Indiana.....	19	-	4	33	27	4,010	508
Illinois.....	-	24	199	5,808	689	37,162	34,746
Michigan.....	231	-	133	365	38	2,283	3,944
Wisconsin.....	278	30	143	58,196	15	1,563	996
EAST NORTH CENTRAL.....			746	64,922	906	49,353	45,336
Minnesota.....	957	18	454	231	84	9,927	4,526
Iowa.....	14	-	4	39	85	9,316	3,559
Missouri.....	28	521	167	3,141	188	26,265	6,908
Dakotas.....			36	43	-	429	48
Nebraska.....			101	129	81	13,424	12,558
Kansas.....			28	246	140	14,553	1,578
WEST NORTH CENTRAL.....			790	3,829	578	73,914	29,177
SOUTH ATLANTIC.....			514	2,420	186	4,383	4,180
Kentucky.....			7	-	7	1,134	587
Tennessee.....			60	2,132	68	2,653	352
Ala. and Mississippi.....			1	146	11	450	337
EAST SOUTH CENTRAL.....			68	2,278	86	4,237	1,276
Arkansas & Louisiana.....			45	81	23	1,350	839
Oklahoma.....			9	45	33	4,115	474
Texas.....	250	109	121	2,528	102	12,447	1,554
WEST SOUTH CENTRAL.....			175	2,654	158	17,912	2,867
Colorado.....			92	119	70	570	956
Other States.....			114	1,857	62	747	1,721
MOUNTAIN.....			206	1,976	132	1,317	2,677
Washington.....			35	56	74	929	4,763
Oregon.....			34	1,314	47	567	3,687
California.....	273	193	444	2,521	286	3,594	17,516
PACIFIC.....			513	3,891	407	5,090	25,966
Other States, cream only.....	777	418					
UNITED STATES.....	6,723	1,553	4,496	93,601	3,088	194,240	153,048



# AMERICAN CHEESE: AVERAGE FIRST-OF-THE-MONTH STOCKS AND YEARLY HIGH AND LOW, 1916-47



U. S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

NEG. 3199 PRODUCTION AND MARKETING ADMINISTRATION

## Stocks of American Cheese

Year : Jan. 1 : Feb. 1 : Mar. 1 : Apr. 1 : May 1 : June 1 : July 1 : Aug. 1 : Sept. 1 : Oct. 1 : Nov. 1 : Dec. 1 :

--Thousands of Pounds--

1916-25 av.:	39,436:	31,152:	23,354:	17,195:	14,596:	17,283:	34,434:	53,833:	64,823:	62,744:	56,022:	49,195:
1926.....:	58,457:	50,339:	42,587:	38,041:	35,597:	39,346:	54,069:	73,681:	81,297:	77,646:	72,491:	63,881:
1927.....:	56,758:	48,106:	41,383:	37,188:	34,332:	37,710:	52,085:	69,119:	71,825:	67,402:	60,766:	55,140:
1928.....:	49,914:	43,837:	38,189:	33,294:	32,177:	39,203:	56,386:	75,862:	86,632:	84,745:	85,126:	77,258:
1929.....:	71,177:	60,772:	52,665:	48,175:	44,983:	50,721:	66,640:	83,914:	90,863:	89,797:	83,737:	76,669:
1930.....:	68,930:	58,972:	53,208:	46,507:	43,239:	53,403:	74,986:	93,773:	92,063:	90,152:	83,674:	75,736:
1931.....:	67,599:	58,516:	52,304:	45,277:	44,792:	46,764:	63,156:	73,693:	73,740:	70,940:	69,611:	66,053:
1932.....:	60,804:	54,360:	47,106:	42,009:	38,951:	40,461:	53,922:	63,667:	66,721:	68,555:	66,813:	62,392:
1933.....:	57,749:	53,532:	46,992:	41,625:	37,321:	41,336:	67,456:	82,771:	94,394:	99,326:	95,831:	85,146:
1934.....:	77,773:	65,476:	54,934:	49,856:	52,217:	58,073:	79,925:	97,018:	103,805:	108,624:	102,832:	96,688:
1935.....:	89,878:	71,007:	60,943:	54,769:	46,593:	48,320:	64,395:	82,397:	92,767:	102,661:	100,670:	92,912:
1936.....:	86,537:	78,197:	68,363:	62,261:	55,756:	56,946:	70,282:	80,735:	90,471:	98,206:	102,847:	98,975:
1937.....:	95,418:	88,091:	80,713:	73,822:	70,584:	71,603:	89,191:	100,418:	105,026:	101,178:	97,160:	93,633:
1938.....:	89,258:	80,479:	73,815:	66,361:	65,767:	79,345:	99,676:	114,607:	127,862:	121,423:	115,351:	100,738:
1939.....:	102,563:	90,401:	77,270:	68,812:	62,866:	64,750:	81,805:	98,659:	104,524:	98,419:	94,694:	91,035:
1940.....:	87,601:	75,678:	66,970:	61,983:	65,386:	73,603:	96,920:	116,847:	126,315:	128,104:	124,783:	119,331:
1941.....:	113,074:	109,820:	105,153:	97,496:	94,602:	102,869:	121,064:	139,568:	151,906:	156,746:	157,468:	158,238:
1942.....:	171,869:	137,276:	133,140:	165,704:	182,613:	200,460:	228,478:	261,535:	243,596:	224,861:	169,913:	134,332:
1943.....:	112,348:	97,103:	76,678:	64,890:	65,843:	80,495:	117,094:	150,245:	172,937:	181,627:	193,396:	177,180:
1944.....:	150,709:	142,610:	144,812:	121,869:	125,097:	137,244:	167,173:	190,804:	187,289:	164,615:	148,416:	138,647:
1945.....:	131,379:	124,627:	118,087:	98,766:	108,675:	134,590:	166,739:	196,335:	208,558:	207,438:	193,965:	159,284:
1946.....:	112,896:	95,725:	81,913:	74,420:	73,054:	86,089:	110,807:	120,136:	126,899:	126,084:	101,185:	92,422:
1947.....:	93,873:	87,459:	74,795:	71,757:	88,737:	106,479:	130,005:	151,661:	169,571:	164,651:	151,455:	139,355:

Table 11. - Fishery products 1/

Species	May 1, 5-yr. : av. 1943-47	May 1 : 1947	Apr. 1 : 1948	May 1 : 1948
<u>Salt-water fish: frozen</u>				
Bait and animal food.....	3,235	4,599	4,415	4,605
Bluefish.....	68	78	115	92
Butterfish.....	176	103	93	45
Cod, had'k, hake, pollock, whole.....	1,211	1,047	960	853
Croakers.....	394	475	341	240
Eels.....	145	195	336	307
Filletts (miscellaneous).....	9,280	21,968	14,074	15,764
Flounders (inc. filletts).....	961	903	659	924
Halibut.....	1,146	2,542	5,365	3,437
Herring, sea.....	1,428	926	473	583
Mackerel (Boston) (inc. filletts).....	1,265	1,120	2,725	1,631
Mullet.....	667	873	129	215
Sablefish (black cod).....	1,996	4,192	1,347	997
Salmon (all species).....	2,962	6,527	7,145	5,242
Scup (porgies).....	347	195	94	135
Sea trout (weakfish, gray and spotted).....	216	240	208	216
Shad and shad roe.....	395	200	353	376
Smelts (sea).....	1,357	803	2,438	2,209
Swordfish.....	215	234	719	845
Whiting (inc. filletts).....	2,329	2,188	5,159	3,580
Miscellaneous salt-water fish.....	7,978	6,907	6,671	6,364
<u>Fresh-water fish: frozen</u>				
Bait and animal food.....	871	1,678	1,451	1,419
Blue pike and sauger (inc. filletts)....	395	89	434	325
Catfish and bullheads.....	95	123	62	128
Chubs.....	188	191	69	60
Lake herring and cisco (inc. filletts)..<	1,327	914	805	598
Lake trout.....	470	296	275	198
Pickrel, jacks or yellow jacks.....	334	102	117	84
Sturgeon and spoonbill cat.....	129	287	53	57
Suckers.....	45	27	28	32
Tullibee.....	228	261	213	118
Yellow perch (inc. filletts).....	141	243	90	117
Yellow pike (or wall-eye) (inc. filletts)	178	74	279	204
Whitefish.....	1,370	1,177	1,298	843
Miscellaneous fresh-water fish.....	1,006	819	1,207	987
<u>Shellfish: frozen</u>				
Lobster tails (spiny lobster).....	289	657	933	952
Scallops.....	371	782	766	684
Shrimp.....	3,532	4,300	12,407	10,633
Squid.....	351	347	881	651
Miscellaneous shellfish.....	1,098	1,520	1,556	1,601
Frozen fish, total.....	50,189	70,202	76,743	68,351
Cured fish, total.....	16,827	25,899	19,108	16,218
Total, all fish.....	67,016	96,101	95,851	84,569

1/ Data furnished by the Department of the Interior - Fish and Wildlife, which publishes a report giving detailed information, species and geographical sections.



Table 12. -- Meats and meat products

## Net changes in stocks during April and comparisons

Beef: Decreased by 27 million pounds; April 1947 decrease was 25 million pounds; average April decrease was 8 million pounds.

Pork: Decreased by 48 million pounds; April 1947 decrease was 4 million pounds; average April decrease was 26 million pounds.

Other meats: Decreased by 28 million pounds; April 1947 decrease was 4 million pounds; average April decrease was 6 million pounds.

Lard: Increased by 10 million pounds; April 1947 increase was 19 million pounds; average April increase was 20 million pounds.

Stocks of meats and meat products	: May 1, 5-yr. : av. 1943-47	: May 1 : 1947	: Apr. 1 : 1948	: May 1 : 1948
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- Thousands of pounds -

## BEEF

Frozen.....	162,896	155,471	131,752	106,545
In cure, cured and smoked.....	8,553	10,896	12,502	10,811
Total beef.....	171,449	166,367	144,254	117,356

## PORK

Frozen.....	214,892	182,255	408,003	378,509
Dry salt in cure and cured.....	97,641	57,167	72,242	69,988
Other in cure, cured & smoked.....	162,885	154,999	131,154	164,158
Total pork.....	475,418	394,421	661,399	612,655

## OTHER MEATS AND MEAT PRODUCTS

Sausage and sausage room products.....		19,662	16,973	14,100
Frozen lamb and mutton.....	12,578	10,808	14,890	9,243
Frozen veal.....		9,357	10,157	7,490

Canned meats & meat products.....		47,289	52,881	45,501
All edible offal 1/.....	71,148	67,109	67,178	57,370
Total other meats & meat products.....	83,726	154,225	162,079	133,704

Total all meats 1/.....	730,593	715,013	967,732	863,715
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## LARD AND RENDERED PORK FAT

Lard.....		124,440	126,589	136,895
Rendered pork fat.....	179,995	3,240	2,439	2,602
Total.....		127,680	129,028	139,497

HIDES & PELTS.....		68,271	64,136	65,276
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1/ Current figures not entirely comparable with 5-yr. av..

Table 13. — Cold storage holdings May 1, 1948 by geographic regions

Commodity	Unit	New England	Middle Atlantic	East North Central	West North Central	South Atlantic	East South Central	West South Central	Mountain	Pacific	Total
- Thousands -											
FROZEN FRUITS											
Apples.....	Pounds	1,135	10,112	6,080	3,840	2,601	238	618	1,007	7,438	33,069
Apricots.....	"	69	2,401	3,168	1,019	234	29	586	280	6,213	13,999
Blackberries.....	"	163	1,626	2,489	509	363	643	701	155	4,210	10,859
Blueberries.....	"	872	3,003	1,857	416	287	12	72	57	300	6,876
Cherries.....	"	516	6,406	9,693	2,523	513	571	582	1,217	3,169	25,190
Grapes.....	"	6	4,172	7,651	378	136	26	164	36	1,439	14,008
Peaches.....	"	948	6,611	5,436	2,639	3,462	771	1,077	713	7,165	28,822
Plums and prunes.....	"	225	2,282	1,714	557	57	200	130	175	1,984	7,324
Raspberries.....	"	1,108	4,326	4,978	1,405	246	100	136	190	3,323	15,812
Strawberries.....	"	1,118	3,750	2,190	1,787	1,391	1,405	1,316	253	2,765	15,975
Young, Logan, Boysen, etc.....	"	129	1,162	2,507	651	45	228	216	94	4,454	9,486
Fruit juices and purees.....	"	950	9,939	4,475	1,033	2,806	759	413	295	4,765	25,435
All other fruits.....	"	5,895	10,307	10,499	2,243	1,346	431	1,613	478	7,594	40,406
FROZEN VEGETABLES											
Asparagus.....	Pounds	186	2,062	837	551	318	30	152	132	1,066	5,334
Beans, lima.....	"	631	7,008	3,722	1,447	1,942	446	614	211	4,399	20,420
Beans, snap.....	"	211	3,414	1,460	388	462	116	204	100	1,957	8,312
Broccoli.....	"	408	2,978	1,029	461	311	87	318	80	1,923	7,595
Brussels sprouts.....	"	156	1,522	589	271	270	51	189	34	1,394	4,476
Cauliflower.....	"	239	1,454	668	330	224	62	206	81	1,330	4,594
Corn, sweet.....	"	691	5,942	2,741	748	1,241	167	281	745	5,628	18,184
Peas, green.....	"	2,545	18,362	7,950	2,543	2,743	420	745	2,381	23,494	61,183
Pumpkin and squash.....	"	240	2,113	1,001	859	247	-	35	40	618	5,153
Spinach.....	"	452	4,662	1,756	592	353	267	1,425	239	2,588	12,334
All other vegetables.....	"	741	9,564	5,061	2,448	1,743	923	764	472	6,204	27,920
FRUITS & VEGETABLES											
Fresh apples.....	Bushels	219	1,030	749	117	459	34	96	19	2,158	4,881
Fresh pears.....	"	1	16	7	1	-	-	4	-	103	132
Other fresh fruits.....	Pounds	56	3,367	2,112	363	460	546	378	311	1,511	9,104
Dried & evaporated fruits.....	"	1,296	43,865	7,002	2,458	3,947	1,068	1,568	222	3,610	65,036
Canned fruits & vegetables.....	"	5	236	1,054	727	16	-	-	54	31	1,223
Potatoes.....	"	2,329	27,601	10,781	13,362	2,685	1,554	2,340	4,158	38,434	103,244
Onions.....	"	3	473	105	71	83	21	82	2	192	1,032
Celery.....	"	-	290	17	190	77	42	6	29	121	772
Other fresh vegetables.....	"	1,248	4,740	2,881	470	250	279	470	102	2,473	12,913
Peanut meats.....	"	858	3,226	18,959	719	4,039	273	263	233	1,168	29,738
Other nutmeats.....	"	1,110	11,159	6,494	3,656	863	475	2,437	112	2,076	28,382
Peanuts in shell.....	"	-	2,818	328	180	37	24	-	-	1,073	4,460
Other nuts in shell.....	"	26	3,235	3,851	6,811	6,372	1,163	13,174	141	936	35,709

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## Cold storage holdings May 1, 1948 by geographic regions (con'd.)

Commodity	Unit	New England	Middle Atlantic	East North Central	West North Central	South Atlantic	East South Central	West South Central	Mountain Pacific	Total
- Thousands -										
DAIRY PRODUCTS AND EGGS										
Cream (not including plastic)	Pounds	196	3,614	602	1,002	357	187	318	19	6,723
Cream, plastic	"	128	197	54	538	245	48	102	37	1,977
Butter, creamery	"	252	1,232	746	790	514	68	175	206	5,513
Condensed milk	"	1,148	3,702	5,249	4,805	1,148	281	635	255	17,465
Cheese, American cheddar	"	1,226	10,405	64,922	3,329	2,420	2,278	2,654	1,976	93,601
Cheese, Swiss incl. block	"	-	215	1,020	9	46	7	31	76	1,520
Cheese, all other varieties	"	219	5,063	2,937	1,076	265	157	1,037	138	834
Eggs, shell	Cases	77	550	906	578	186	86	158	132	407
Eggs, frozen (Total)	Pounds	2,737	35,297	49,353	73,914	4,383	4,237	17,912	1,317	5,090
Eggs, dried (Total)	"	-	550	628	1,478	1	-	1,918	6	44
FROZEN POULTRY										
Broilers	Pounds	219	629	1,307	1,952	115	11	194	27	337
Fryers	"	205	1,196	2,935	3,225	1,618	76	352	213	1,130
Roasters	"	1,395	2,619	3,814	4,410	146	14	102	37	3,571
Fowls	"	3,780	10,342	13,281	12,351	499	212	921	313	4,728
Turkeys	"	2,417	10,724	6,792	4,561	1,104	191	841	1,348	13,692
Ducks	"	139	1,007	1,064	84	159	40	83	17	298
Miscellaneous	"	553	2,834	4,650	690	103	84	209	63	614
Unclassified	"	47	3,473	11,493	1,904	436	648	165	659	1,596
MEATS & LARD										
Beef, frozen	Pounds	4,507	15,127	29,570	23,725	4,138	2,813	6,718	1,664	18,283
Veal, frozen	"	664	1,521	2,103	1,080	426	269	1,033	90	304
Pork, frozen	"	14,137	35,288	116,664	146,307	19,912	7,524	13,997	5,332	19,348
Lamb & Mutton, frozen	"	428	1,993	2,974	1,475	271	215	762	164	961
Beef, in cure cured & smoked	"	389	1,173	4,808	3,102	280	6	347	17	689
Dry salt pork, in cure & cured	"	450	1,711	21,266	35,562	5,432	566	3,361	335	1,297
All other pork, in cure	"	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
cured and smoked	"	6,225	12,375	48,955	64,477	6,781	3,089	7,395	1,254	13,607
All edible offal	"	1,976	7,355	19,743	18,787	2,710	1,403	2,411	1,054	1,931
Lard	"	586	5,736	72,891	46,983	2,591	1,886	1,729	813	3,675
Rendered pork fat	"	24	53	846	1,378	93	11	59	20	108
Sausage room products	"	272	3,887	4,177	1,647	1,475	684	305	230	1,423
Canned meats and meat products	"	275	3,918	12,823	23,565	877	232	814	631	2,366
Hides and pelts	"	-	4,864	19,181	32,514	1,610	491	3,315	1,492	1,809
Fish	"	12,544	13,592	13,131	5,110	2,739	4,000	2,013	232	14,990*

\*Includes fish in Alaska.

Table 14. — Commodities held by the Government, May 1, 1948 by geographic regions 1/

Commodity	Unit	New England	Middle Atlantic	East North Central	West North Central	South Atlantic	East South Central	West South Central	Mountain Pacific	Total
- Thousands -										
FRUITS & VEGETABLES										
Apples and pears.....	Bushels	-	-	-	5	-	-	-	-	5
Potatoes.....	Pounds	-	14,239	150	8,977	-	-	-	5,366	28,732
Other fresh fruits & vegetables..	"	-	-	-	593	-	-	-	-	593
Frozen fruits.....	"	-	-	-	1,245	-	-	-	-	1,245
Frozen vegetables.....	"	-	-	-	16	-	-	-	-	16
Dried fruits.....	"	-	325	-	307	-	-	2	-	634
DAIRY & POULTRY										
Butter, creamery.....	Pounds	49	-	14	55	-	-	-	-	118
American cheese.....	"	22	125	10	25	-	-	1	-	183
Shell eggs.....	Cases	1	6	8	-	-	-	4	-	19
Frozen eggs.....	Pounds	-	16,213	13,713	19,889	-	-	300	-	50,115
Dried eggs.....	"	-	203	201	697	-	-	307	-	1,408
Poultry.....	"	84	-	74	225	-	-	63	4,518	4,964
MEATS AND MEAT PRODUCTS										
Beef.....	Pounds	224	165	84	699	-	282	205	6,267	7,926
Pork.....	"	220	140	245	6,041	-	452	368	3,247	10,721
Sausage and lunch meat.....	"	79	85	210	8	-	-	-	40	422
Lamb & mutton.....	"	17	29	38	-	-	24	46	381	535
Veal.....	"	83	81	-	-	-	26	-	-	190
Edible offal.....	"	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Lard and rendered pork fat.....	"	27	36	36	937	-	18	-	-	1,054
FISH.....	Pounds	4	79	43	311	-	-	-	40	477

1/ No estimates are included in the above figures. An endeavor is made to obtain figures from all concerns. However, late reports of some concerns may cause significant revisions of some items in some regions.



Table 15. — Commodities held by the Government <sup>1/</sup>

Commodity	'Unit'	'May 1, 5-yr. 'av. 1943-47'	'May 1 1947'	'Apr. 1 1948'	'May 1 1948 2/
- Thousands -					
FRUITS & VEGETABLES					
Apples and pears.....	bu.		7	19	5
Potatoes.....	lb.		10,673	12,493	28,732
Other fresh fruits & vegetables.....	lb.		952	39	593
Frozen fruits.....	lb.		1,405	1,936	1,245
Frozen vegetables.....	lb.		1,912	203	16
Dried fruits.....	lb.		821	913	634
Total.....	lb.		16,099	16,496	31,460
DAIRY & POULTRY					
Butter, creamery.....	lb.	14,283	1,427	414	118
American cheese.....	lb.	27,100	1,860	493	183
Shell eggs.....	case	321	141	9	19
Frozen eggs.....	lb.	11,649	20,417	55,146	50,115
Dried eggs.....	lb.		32,611	9,334	1,408
Poultry.....	lb.		5,141	6,610	4,964
Total.....	lb.	67,477	67,801	72,402	57,643
MEATS & MEAT PRODUCTS					
Beef.....	lb.		39,315	11,485	7,926
Pork.....	lb.	55,891	15,488	15,593	10,721
Sausage & lunch meat.....	lb.		8,067	4,788	422
Lamb & mutton.....	lb.		2,007	1,040	535
Veal.....	lb.		796	238	190
Edible Offal.....	lb.		332	39	-
Lard & rendered pork fat.....	lb.	101,657	845	1,300	1,054
Total.....	lb.	157,548	66,850	34,483	20,848
FISH.....	lb.		416	650	477
TOTAL WEIGHT.....	lb.	225,025	151,166	124,031	110,428

<sup>1/</sup> Government holdings are included in the tables of total holdings elsewhere in the report and consist of reported stocks held by USDA, the Armed services and other Government agencies. In addition to stocks reported above, the armed services hold some stocks in space owned and operated by them on which figures are not available. Current figures not entirely comparable with 5 year average.

<sup>2/</sup> Based on actual reports. Estimates on late reports are not included. Current figures will be revised next month.

